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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT TACOMA

9 GURPREET KAUR, *et al.*,

Case No. 3:24-cv-05334-BHS

10 Plaintiffs,

STIPULATED MOTION TO HOLD  
CASE IN ABEYANCE AND ORDER

11 v.

12 UR M. JADDOU, *et al.*,

Noted for Consideration:  
December 3, 2024

13 Defendants.

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15 Plaintiffs and Defendants, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6 and Local Rules  
16 7(d)(1), 10(g) and 16, hereby jointly stipulate and move to continue to stay these proceedings until  
17 January 6, 2025. Plaintiffs brought this litigation pursuant to the Mandamus Act seeking, *inter*  
18 *alia*, to compel U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (“USCIS”) to adjudicate Plaintiff  
19 Kaur’s asylum application. This case is currently stayed through December 5, 2024. Dkt. No. 8,  
20 Order. The parties are currently working towards a resolution to this litigation. For good cause,  
21 the parties request that the Court continue to hold the case in abeyance until January 6, 2024.

22 Courts have “broad discretion” to stay proceedings. *Clinton v. Jones*, 520 U.S. 681, 706  
23 (1997). “[T]he power to stay proceedings is incidental to the power inherent in every court to  
24 control the disposition of the causes on its docket with economy of time and effort for itself, for

1 counsel, and for litigants.” *Landis v. N. Am. Co.*, 299 U.S. 248, 254 (1936); *see also* Fed. R. Civ.  
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3 With additional time, this case may be resolved without the need of further judicial  
4 intervention. USCIS has conducted Plaintiff’s asylum interview. However, the case remains  
5 under review and USCIS requires additional time to adjudicate the asylum application.

6 As additional time is necessary for this to occur, the parties request that the Court continue  
7 to hold the case in abeyance until January 6, 2025. The parties will submit a status update on or  
8 before January 6, 2025.

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24 DATED this 3rd day of December, 2024.

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*I certify that this memorandum contains 263 words,  
in compliance with the Local Civil Rules.*

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am an employee in the Office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Washington and of such age and discretion as to be competent to serve papers.

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## ORDER

The case is held in abeyance until January 6, 2025. The parties shall submit a status update on or before January 6, 2025. It is so **ORDERED**.

DATED this 4th day of December, 2024.

  
BENJAMIN H. SETTLE  
United States District Judge